

STATE BOARD TRIES  
OUT THE BARBERS

Candidates Have a Field Day in a Go-as-You-Please Shaving and Hair-Cutting Contest in Third Avenue.

## VICTIMS ARE EASY TO FIND.

Wide Divergence of Opinion Exists as to the Length of Time a Towel Should Be Kept in Commission.

Why a barber? There was a variety of tongues trying to solve the solution at No. 535 Third avenue to-day, and it was figuratively and literally sneaking a close shave for many a victim who wandered up the avenue in the vicinity of thirty-fourth street.

The occasion was the appearance before the Board of Barber Examiners of the State of New York of all razor artists who did not avail themselves of the opportunity to qualify on Aug. 13 last. Since the adjournment of the Legislature, when the law for regulating the occupation of barbering was passed, it was made a law that barbers who had not served an apprenticeship of three years could not be granted a certificate.

This morning's aggregation of all nations were applicants for admission into the legal shaving guild at the rate of \$5 a head—that is, a barber's head. The examination consisted of two divisions, mental or written and practical. The first was a test of the candidate's ability to shave a subject without using a razor or a portion of ear and otherwise manipulated his shaving instruments satisfactorily. A good shampoo also put an average of 15 per cent. of the candidates off a portion of ear and otherwise manipulated his shaving instruments satisfactorily. A good shampoo also put an average of 15 per cent. of the candidates off a portion of ear and otherwise manipulated his shaving instruments satisfactorily.

When it came to the written examination which required among other things a statement as to the candidate's idea of a clean and sanitary barber shop, Jacob Kiesel, of the Waldorf, and Commissioner of the Board of Barber Examiners, was seen to turn pale and call anxiously for restoratives. Some of the applicants as to the length of time a towel should be used, gave alarming statements on the power of endurance. When it came to the questioning in regard to antiseptics there was a "Meaning exactly what?" expressed on many a bewildered face that gave a rapid sinking sensation to the 40 per cent. average of the written examinations.

As to real cleanliness, some of the Avenue A barbers thought a clean towel

1,000 CHRISTMAS  
DINNERS FOR POOR

The Evening World Will Provide Feasts Through the Charity Organization Society for Many Families Whose Homes Would Otherwise Be Cheerless on the Holiday.

THE Evening World will give 1,000 Xmas dinners in 1,000 baskets to 1,000 poor families of New York and Brooklyn on Christmas eve.

In order that the dinners may reach worthy tables and that the poor alone may benefit, the dinners will be distributed through the Charity Organization Society. All applications for dinners will be referred to this Society and will be investigated in the Society's regular way.

Each of the 1,000 dinners will be put up in a basket and will be delivered by express on Christmas eve to the family for which it is intended.

The Siegel-Cooper Company, which put up the dinners for The Evening World in previous years, will do so this year again, and they promise

THE EVENING WORLD'S CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR THE POOR.			
Soup.	Chicken.	Potatoes.	Bread.
Cakes.	String Beans.	White Onions.	Coffee.
	Plum Pudding.	Candy.	

that the contents of the baskets will be of a quality that would delight the most fastidious palate and of quantity sufficient to feed a family of at least six persons.

Each basket will contain four pounds of chicken, a can of soup, a loaf of bread, a pound of sweet cakes, a quart of potatoes, a plum pudding, one-fourth pound of coffee, one-half pound of candy, a can of string beans and a quart of white onions.

The dinners will be ready early on the morning of Dec. 24, when the Siegel-Cooper Company will hand the baskets over to the express companies to be delivered to the families for whom they are intended.

Edward T. Devine, general secretary of the Charity Organization Society, which will superintend the distribution, says of The Evening World's project that it is the finest example of newspaper charity which has ever come to his attention.

once a day was a great extravagance but a necessity. The sterilizing of instruments caused many a sigh to pass through the assembled crowd of applicants. There were thirty-eight applicants to-day, and to-morrow at Brooklyn twenty more are expected. George Reedy, President of the board, said to-day: "The object of this registration is to elevate the barber profession and in three years' time I think we will have things going in the right direction." Mr. Reedy admitted that the job of elevating the barber profession was a pretty hard proposition, but he says the work must not be discouraged. The Board of Examiners is composed of George Reedy, of Elmira, President; George W. Adelman, of Albany, Secretary; Louis Householder, of Albany, Treasurer; Jacob Kiesel, of the Waldorf, Commissioner.

## FOUND TRUNK, BUT NOT WIFE

Calman Arrested for Taking Another Man's Baggage.

Ernest Mignon, who keeps a furnished room house at No. 217 West Thirty-eighth street, glanced out of his bedroom window early to-day and discovered a man on the sidewalk who was trying to place on the seat of a cab a trunk which looked suspiciously like one Mignon kept in his storeroom, so he went downstairs to investigate. The trunk was his, and as the man didn't seem able to explain the situation he had him arrested.

At the police station the man said he was Martin H. Spielhauer, of Westchester. "I heard that my wife was in that house," he said, "so I went in after her. She wasn't there, and seeing this trunk I took that."

Spielhauer gave the same explanation of his conduct to Magistrate Hogan in the West Side Court to-day. He acted like a crazy man, so the Magistrate committed him for examination.

## ORDERS MEAT AND VANISHES

Mark Sully Mysteriously Disappears from Home.

Mary Sully, an advertising agent, left his home at No. 151 West One Hundredth street, three weeks ago, telling his wife he would order the meat for dinner. He ordered the meat, but since then his wife has not seen him and now she has asked the police to find him.

"He was fifty years old," she said, "and we have been married thirty years. He was affectionate and had no reason to desert me. I think he is probably out of his mind."

RIOT!  
AT No. 40

There were certain hours of the day last Sunday and Monday when the crowding and buying among the customers took the form of a small-sized riot. Nothing in all retail history can show any parallel sacrifices as that which THE BELL MACKINTOSH CO., at 40 East 14th St., is making in the gigantic factory and store purchases of the GOODYEAR RAINCOAT AND MACKINTOSH CO.

For Every 30c. You Spend We Give a \$. MACKINTOSHES, RAINCOATS, Genuine Priestley CRAVENETTES, by the thousands. Every size—every style of garment to fit every man, woman and child.

Men's and Women's \$6.00 \$1.98 Mackintoshes, As fine a garment as ever \$6.00 commanded. Men's and Women's \$18.00 \$6.48 Cravenette Coats, Guaranteed Cravenette Raincoats—swell fashions to fit every person. Men's and Women's \$12.00 \$3.48 Mackintoshes, A Mackintosh for the stormiest weather. A very fine grade of waterproof cloth. Dressy and perfect fitting. Children's Mackintoshes, Just the proper Xmas gifts for the boy or girl. Every size. \$3.00 Mackintoshes, \$1.00 \$4.00 Mackintoshes, \$1.50 \$5.00 Mackintoshes, \$1.98 \$8.00 Mackintoshes, \$2.50

Men's Cravenettes, Genuine Cravenettes, in long loose swagger garment, combination raincoat and fall overcoat, for day or evening wear, any sort of weather, rain or shine; remarkably good \$27.50 value. They \$8.98 Women's Cravenettes Ladies' genuine Cravenettes, of very fine covert cloth, brown or Oxford; full loose fly front; strapped and piped seams; bishop sleeves, deep fancy cuffs, half fitted back, confined with straps; actually worth \$32.50; \$9.98 BELL MACKINTOSH CO., 40 EAST 14TH ST. JUST OFF BROADWAY, NEAR UNIVERSITY PLACE. CAUTION—We operate NO branch stores in this city. Open Even. Evening Until Xmas.

James McGreery & Co. Ladies' Coats. Black Cheviot and Mixed Tweed Coats. 11.50 formerly 15.00 and 18.00 Velours Blouse Coats. 19.50 formerly 28.50 Three-quarter length coats, made of black Broadcloth or Kersey. Double breasted, with fitted, pleated back. Lined with grey or black satin. 22.50 value 35.00 Twenty-third Street.

Zeitz & Tarshis CREDIT TO ALL EASY WEEKLY OR MONTHLY PAYMENTS. CLOTHING For MEN, WOMEN & CHILDREN. HATS, SHOES AND MILLINERY. Yourself and Family Can Dress Well at an Outlay of \$1 Per Week N. Y., 2230 3d Ave., nr. 122d St. N. Y., 741-3 8th Ave., nr. 46th St. Brooklyn, 468 5th Ave., nr. 10th St. Brooklyn, 535 Fulton St., opp. Elm pl.

Upholstery  
Department.

3rd Floor. Screens. A unique and varied collection of up-to-date Folding Screens, from \$3.00 to \$25.00 each

Some very special values, at \$4.00 & \$9.00.

—Also—Tabourettes, Shirt Waist Boxes and Fancy Furniture Waste Paper Boxes.

Lord & Taylor, Broadway and Twentieth Street and Fifth Avenue. New Entrance on 19th Street.

## JAMES MCGREERY &amp; CO.

Sale of Umbrellas. On Friday and Saturday, December 18th and 19th, 26 and 28 inch. Covered with pure Twill, Levantine or Taffetas silk. Handsome, imported Handles,—Massive carved and inlaid burnt Ivory; long, silver mounted Pearl; Silver deposit on Ivory; French gray silver; Horn and Natural Woods.

2.75, 3.75 and 4.75 Value 4.00 to 9.00 26 and 28 inch Union Taffeta Silk Umbrellas, with Silver, Pearl, Ivory and Natural Wood Handles. 1.75 Value 2.50 and 3.50 Twenty-third Street.

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EXCLUDE ROEBUCK'S WEATHER STRIPS  
GOLD ROEBUCK 172 FULTON ST. NEW YORK

TODAY IS THE DAY TO ASK FOR JAMES' EXQUISIA VIOLET and give it to your best friend. A most suitable, agreeable and delightful present to give to your dearest friend. For sale at all drug stores and druggists everywhere.

Holiday Cheer O. Henry's best story, "The Chaparral Prince," will be printed complete In Sunday's World.

Useful Presents  
Fancy Covers.

Chinese Hand Embroidered Covers on satin, one yard square, handsomely fringed, silk lined, \$5.00, \$6.00 & \$7.50 each,

value \$12.00 to \$18.00 each, colors:—white, cream, gold, blue, pink and Nile.

Lambrequins. Richly Embroidered Silk and Satin Mantel Lambrequins, \$4.00, \$5.50 & \$9.00 each.

Cushions. An artistic assortment of novel designs, at \$2.50, \$7.00 & \$11.00 each.

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## H.O'Neill &amp; Co.

Store Open Evenings Until Christmas.

A Fine Showing of Dinner Sets. And Some Marvellously Low Prices.

We are showing nearly one hundred different styles, shapes and decorations of Dinnerware from the best factories of America, England, France and Germany at prices ranging from \$8.75 up.

We have a few French China Sets, with a piece or more missing, that we offer at extremely low prices, as follows:

HAVILAND & CO. fine China Dinner Sets, originally 111 pieces, regularly \$57.00, at \$45.00  
AHRENFELDT'S fine Limoges China Dinner Sets, originally 120 pieces, regularly \$85.00, at \$65.00  
HAVILAND & CO. fine French China Dinner Sets, originally 112 pieces, regularly \$56.98, at \$45.00  
HAVILAND & CO. fine French China Dinner Sets, originally 106 pieces, regularly \$65.48, at \$50.00 (Basement.)

## Furnishings for the Home.

Every woman will find something in this list that she would like to give away for Christmas.

FANCY BASKETS—Our assortment is very large and comprises only the best maker's wares:—

Fancy Paper Baskets, \$7.00 to 25c.  
Fancy Hampers, \$7.00 to \$2.25.  
Fancy Work Baskets, \$6.50 to 10c.  
Fancy Work Stands, \$10.50 to \$1.19.  
Lined Fancy Infants' Baskets, \$4.75 to 60c.

CAS LOGS—We have the largest variety, best makes, and lowest prices.

Regular... \$4.20 \$4.60 \$5.40 \$6.00  
Special \$2.80 \$3.20 \$3.60 \$4.00

## Furniture, Upholstery and Rugs.

There are probably no Christmas Gifts so much appreciated as those that go to beautify the home—a pair of Curtains, a Bed Set, a pair of Portieres, a Rug or a dainty piece of Furniture will always get a warm welcome from the recipient.

We offer some very strong inducements in those lines:

IRISH POINT LACE CURTAINS, 3 1/2 yards long; regular price, \$5.00 per pair; special at... \$3.98  
BED SETS, renaissance; all over design, with two shams; special at, per set... \$5.98  
REVERSIBLE TAPESTRY PORTIERES, two-toned effects, colors, red, blue, green, rose and gold; regular price, \$5.00; special at \$3.75  
ORIENTAL COUCH COVERS, fringed all sides... \$1.00

## These Beautiful Morris Chairs, \$10.98.

36 Golden Oak quarter sawed Morris Chairs, claw feet, broad shaped arms; seat has nine spiral springs; cushion all hair filled, and fancy or plain velour covering. Special at... \$10.98 Regular price \$15.00.

## Parlor or Reception Chairs.

They are highly polished Mahogany frames upholstered in damask or tapestry.

\$12.00 Chairs at... \$8.75 \$20.00 Chairs at... \$16.25  
\$14.00 Chairs at... \$10.50 \$24.00 Chairs at... \$19.50

100 CHILDREN'S REED ROCKERS, white enameled and gold, very graceful and strong—regular price \$4.50; special at... \$2.98

## Fine Fur Rugs.

One lot of goat skin odorless RUGS, lined and interlined, in black, gray and white; size 28x64; special at, each... \$4.25  
One lot of MOQUETTE RUGS, single door size, regular price \$1.25 each; special at... 75c (Fourth Floor.)

## Leather Goods. (First Floor.)

Hand Bags, Seal and Walrus Leather, some fitted, others without, an almost endless variety of colors and shapes; \$2.50 value for... \$1.98  
Carriage Bags, tan, gray and black Walrus leather, fitted with card case and purse, gilt and gun metal frame, worth \$3.50, special at... \$2.75  
A great variety in Ladies' Wrist and Hand Bags, some with chains, others with leather handles, worth \$1.50, for... \$1.00  
Extra fine Carriage Bags, made of walrus leather, in black, tan, brown and gray, gilt trimmings, worth \$6.00, for... \$4.98

## Useful Holiday Gifts in Blankets, Comfortables and Quilts.

We quote some special prices for this sale which should greatly interest intending purchasers in this department.

Fine White California Wool Blankets, Large Double Bed Sizes: \$10.00 Blankets at \$7.50 pair; \$6.75 Blankets at \$5.00 pair.

Down Comfortables, hand-made new exclusive designs, fine French satin, figured centres and plain borders, regular \$7.98 quality; special at... \$5.98  
Lamb's wool filling, silkline coverings, regular \$4.25 quality; special at... \$2.98  
Lamb's wool filling, silk covered, regular \$5.98 quality; special at \$4.65 Regular \$10 quality; special at \$7.98

450 Imported Marseilles and satin finished Toilet Quilts, new exclusive patterns, in every desirable size, at \$2.38 to \$8.50  
1,000 Domestic Marseilles and Crochet Quilts; special lot at, each, 98c, \$1.35, \$1.75 to \$3.50 (First Floor, Rear.)

## Slippers for Men and Women.

Also for the Boys.

What nicer present can you give than a pair of good Slippers? Those we quote are specially priced for the holiday season.

Men's Tan and Black Kid Faust Slippers, worth \$3.00; for... \$2.25  
Men's Tan and Black Vici Kid Opera and Everette Slippers, worth \$2.00; for... \$1.50  
Boys' Tan and Black Kid Opera Slippers, patent leather trimmed, sizes 12 to 2; for... \$1.00  
Sizes 2 1/2 to 5 1/2... \$1.25  
Little boys' nicely made red kid Slippers, sizes 8 to 11; for... \$1.00  
Sizes 11 1/2 to 2; for... \$1.00  
"Dolce's" best quality Felt Juliettes, in colors red, gray, green, brown and black, worth \$1.75; for... \$1.25  
Women's knit worsted Slippers, in a great variety of colors and combinations, worth \$1.50; for... 98c (Shoe Dept., Second Floor.)

Sixth Avenue, 20th to 21st Street.

## The Toy Headquarters of New York.

Lowest-Priced Store in New York for Fine Goods.

Open Evenings Ehrich Bros. Open Evenings 6TH AVE., 22D and 23D STS., NEW YORK.

Clothing Reductions  
with a Vengeance.

Men's Winter Overcoats, Regular Retail Price \$10.00, at 6.00

Now's your chance—never heard of such values—WONDERFUL, AMAZING—Frieze—Heavy Coatings, in Oxford and gray colorings, cut according to latest style (all sizes), lined perfectly, topped off with velvet collar. ONLY 200 OF THEM

Men's Winter Suits, Regular Retail Price \$12.00, at 6.00

Every kind and every color suitable for Winter wear, made of woollen fabrics, in single or double breasted style, nobby and up to date; values such as these are very hard to find; all sizes—for men of all builds

Men's Winter Suits and Overcoats, Regular Retail Price \$18 and \$20, at 10.00

Equal to custom made—you'll easily be convinced when you see them. Overcoats of all the new heavy materials, in a large variety of colors; cut very swagger. Suits are of pure worsted—an uncommon kind to retail at \$10.00—all we ask is a look from you—THAT MEANS A SALE.

## Men's Xmas Gifts—Underpriced.

House Coats—For Men—Made of imported English two-toned cords, bound with cloth and silk cord, patch pockets, Oxford, blue, olive and brown; worth \$7.00 to \$9.00; special at... 4.75  
Sweaters—For Boys—Hand-made—in plain colors—white, black, navy, red and gray; also plain colors, top and bottom stripes; \$2.00 grade; special at... 1.48  
Bath Robes—For Men—All sorts—Imported Blankets—double-faced Elderdowns—Turkish Towelling—all new up-to-date styles—the finest at \$2.00, many as low as... 2.98

Half Hose—Men's extra quality Cashmere Half Hose—black and natural—double heels and toes—none better sold for 25c. a pair; special at... 19c  
Suspenders—All silk webs, best leather ends to match, sterling silver buckles; handsome designs; special at... 1.00